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IN THE

## UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Inventor(s): Bin ZHANG et al.

Application No.: 09/844,730

Filing Date: 04/27/2001

Title: DISTRIBUTED DATA CLUSTERING SYSTEM AND METHOD

Confirmation No.: 1562

Examiner: Frantz Coby

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**Mail Stop Amendment**
**Commissioner for Patents**
**PO Box 1450**
**Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**

### TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR RESPONSE/AMENDMENT

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is/are the following in the above-identified application:

(X) Response/Amendment

( ) New fee as calculated below

(X) No additional fee

( ) Other: _____ (fee $_____)

( ) Petition to extend time to respond

( ) Supplemental Declaration

| (1) FOR | (2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT | (3) NUMBER EXTRA | (4) HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR | (5) PRESENT EXTRA | (6) RATE | (7) ADDITIONAL FEES |
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| **CLAIMS AS AMENDED BY OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY** | | | | | | |
| TOTAL CLAIMS | | MINUS | | = 0 | X $50 | $ 0 |
| INDEP. CLAIMS | | MINUS | | = 0 | X $200 | $ 0 |
| [ ] FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM | | | | | + $360 | $ 0 |

| EXTENSION FEE | 1ST MONTH $120.00 | 2ND MONTH $450.00 | 3RD MONTH $1020.00 | 4TH MONTH $1590.00 | $ 0 |
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| | | | | OTHER FEES | $ |
| | | | TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT | | $ 0 |

Charge $___0___ to Deposit Account 08-2025. At any time during the pendency of this application, please charge any fees required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 08-2025 pursuant to 37 CFR 1.25. Additionally please charge any fees to Deposit Account 08-2025 under 37 CFR 1.16 through 1.21 inclusive, and any other sections in Title 37 of the Code of Federal Regulations that may regulate fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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Respectfully submitted,

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## AMENDMENT

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Date:  April 27, 2005

Sir:

A number of typographical errors appear in the published application. In paragraphs 0094-0097, the symbols $\delta$ and $\Sigma$ have been incorrectly represented as "$\cong$". Also, the equations in paragraphs 0096, 0102, 0103, 0108, 0111-0113 have been incorrectly entered.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.